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PROFESSOR RAJNA'S CRITICAL TEXT OF THE
DE VULGARI ELOQUENTIA.

The publication of Professor Pio Rajna's critical edition of Dante's *De Vulgari Eloquentia*, which he has prepared for the Società Dantesca Italiana,¹ is an event of great interest and importance to all who are engaged in the serious study of Dante. As the book is only issued in a limited edition,² and is in consequence not very easily accessible to the generality of Dante students, and as the annual Reports of the Dante Society are now commanding a steadily increasing circulation on both sides of the Atlantic, it was thought that those interested in the subject might be glad to have, in the form of a supplementary paper to the Report for 1897, a detailed collation of the text of the Florentine (1896) edition, with that of the Oxford (1894) edition (as representing the latest critical text previous to that of Professor Rajna).

From this collation, which is printed below, it will be seen that the emendations and restorations introduced by Professor Rajna amount to several hundreds, and there can be little doubt that the large majority of them will be accepted as final by Dante critics.

Before proceeding further, we may state that only three manuscripts of the *De Vulgari Eloquentia* are known to be in existence; of these, one (indicated by Professor Rajna as G) is in the town library at Grenoble; the second (T) is at Milan, in the library of the Marchese Trivulzio; while the third (V) is in the Vatican library at Rome. This last (V), which was executed, probably at Rome in the early years of the sixteenth century, for Cardinal Bembo (in whose handwriting are many of the marginal notes), is practically of no independent value, being, if not an actual copy of T, at any rate derived from it. The chief value of V consists in the fact that it

¹ Il trattato *De Vulgari Eloquentia*, per cura di Pio Rajna: Firenze, Successori Le Monnier, 1896.

² A certain number of copies remained over after the members of the Italian Dante Society had been supplied; intending purchasers may apply to the publishers direct or through a foreign bookseller. In compliance with a suggestion made by the present writer, Professor Rajna has undertaken to print a small edition consisting of the text alone. (*Note.* Since this paper was printed the promised *edizione minore* has been published. — See *Appendix.*)

occasionally gives the clue to the primitive reading of *r*, where this has been subsequently altered or obscured. *g*, which has recently been reproduced in phototype by MM. Maignien and Prompt, was executed probably in the north of Italy at the end of the fourteenth or beginning of the fifteenth century. This manuscript formed the base of Corbinelli's edition of 1577 (Paris), the *editio princeps* of the Latin text, and many of the illustrative and critical glosses on the margins of it are undoubtedly due to Corbinelli, as Professor Rajna has conclusively proved.

r appears to have been executed in Italy in the same district as *g* (the valley of the Po), and is a little earlier than it in date, belonging almost certainly to the latter half of the fourteenth century. To this manuscript also a special interest attaches, for it was at one time in the possession of Giovan Giorgio Trissino, and was the original from which he made his Italian version of Dante's treatise, the form in which the latter was for the first time printed in 1529. A large number of the corrections in this manuscript, both on the margins and in the text itself, are in the handwriting of Trissino, who evidently made a careful study of it.

Upon his collations of these manuscripts Professor Rajna has based his text, while he has at the same time availed himself of such assistance as was to be derived from Trissino's translation, and from the various printed editions. Of the latter there have been about a dozen, the best known being those of Torri (1855), Fraticelli (1857), and Giuliani (1878); the most recent, as we have already observed, is that included in the Oxford edition of the complete works of Dante, published three years ago under the editorship of Dr. Edward Moore, Principal of St. Edmund Hall, Oxford.

It must be explained with regard to the subjoined collation that mere variations of spelling have been for the most part disregarded, as have been differences of punctuation, except where these happen to be of real importance. The passages given in the left-hand column are from the Oxford text (*o*), references being to book, chapter, and line (*e.g.* I. ii. 3); those in the right-hand column are from Rajna's text (*r*), references in this case being to book, chapter, and paragraph (*e.g.* II. iii. § 4).

PAGET TOYNBEE.

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DE VULGARI ELOQUENTIA.

O.

R.

General title. De Vulgari Eloquio.

Incipit liber de Vulgari
Eloquio,³ sive idiomate,
editus per Dantem.

I. i. *title.* Quid sit vulgaris locutio,
et quo differat a gram-
matica.

Omitted.

I. i. 14. Sed accipiendo vel com-
pilando ab aliis, potiora
miscentes,

I. i. § 1. sed, accipiendo vel com-
pilando ab aliis, potiora
miscentes,

22. eam qua infantes

§ 2. eam quam infantes

34. Harum quoque duarum

§ 4. Harum duarum

I. ii. 7. necessarium fuit :

I. ii. § 1. necessarium fuit loqui :

22. si obiciatur de iis qui cor-
ruere

§ 3. si obiciatur de hiis qui cor-
ruerunt

24. cum de his

cum de hiis

27. Secundo et melius,

Vel secundo et melius,

48. moverent organa sua, sic
et vox

§ 5. moverunt organa sua, sic
ut vox

62. si expresse dicenti reso-
naret etiam pica,

§ 6. si expresse dicenti "Pica"
resonaret etiam "Pica,"⁴

I. iii. 16. quia cum aliquid a ratione
accipere

I. iii. § 2. quia, cum de ratione ac-
cipere

21. quia si tantum

quare, si tantum

26. natura *sensuale* quidem,
in quantum sonus est ;

§ 3. nam sensuale quid est, in
quantum sonus est ;⁵

³ The original title was *De Vulgari Eloquentia*, as may be gathered from what Dante himself says (V. E. I. i. § 1 ; xi. § 2 ; Conv. I. 5) : as well as from Villani's and Boccaccio's references to the treatise.

⁴ The omission of the first *pica* here in the modern edd. is due apparently to its omission by Trissino in his version.

⁵ *Natura* is a substitution of Corbinelli for *nam*. It seems better by a slight modification of the MS. reading, viz. *quidē* (= *quidem*) for *quid ē* (= *quid est*), to read "nam sensuale quidem" instead of "nam sensuale quid est" with R.

O.

- I. iv. 23. prius a viro quam a foemina profluisse. Rationabiliter
 26. Quod autem
 34. per ipsum factus
 45. si responsio fuit, fuit ad Deum; et si ad Deum fuit,
 55. quo etiam gubernata sunt omnia.
 59. ut tonitrua personeat, ignem fulgoreat,
 I. v. 3. ad ipsum Deum
 12. primum hominem
 29. nostrorum effectuum
 I. vi. 4. non aliter intelliguntur
 13. huic etiam prae cunctis proprium vulgare licebit, idest maternam locutionem, praeponere: et per consequens
 21. ratione magis quam sensu scapulas
 36. unde sum oriundus
 47. nisi culpa
 50. hac forma locuti sunt
 60. id quod primi loquentis labia fabricaverunt

R.

- I. iv. § 3. vel prius quam a viro, a femina profluisse. Rationabiliter⁶
 § 4. Quid autem in ipsum factus
 § 5. si responsio fuit ad Deum: nam, si ad Deum fuit, quo etiam gubernata sunt omnia?
 ut tonitrua personet, ignem fulgoret,⁷
 I. v. § 1. ad ipsum Dominum
 § 1. primum nostrum
 § 2. nostrorum affectuum
 I. vi. § 1. non aliter intelligantur
 § 2. hic etiam prae cunctis proprium vulgare licetur, idest maternam locutionem, et per consequens⁸
 § 3. rationi magis quam sensui spatulas unde sumus oriundus
 § 4. in culpa
 § 5. hac forma locutionis locuti sunt⁹
 illud quod . . . fabricaverunt.
 I. vii. 6. Oh semper nostra natura I. vii. § 1. O semper natura nostra

⁶ As R. remarks, *profluisse* is curious. For *rationabiliter* the MSS. read *rationaliter*.

⁷ The MSS. read *personet, fulgoreat*; the correction adopted by R. is due to Giuliani.

⁸ The reading *licebit . . . praeponere* instead of *licetur* (which he did not understand) was introduced into the text by Corbinelli, the origin of it being Trissino's rendering *sarà licito preporre*.

⁹ Fraticelli and subsequent editors omit *locutionis* for no good reason.

O.

- I. vii. 10. per primam . . . eliminata
 15. et poenas malorum quae commiseras
 18. Non ante tertiam
 23. per superbiam suam et stultitiam
 27. sed et ipsum
 29. Sennaar,
 34. quis pater tot sustineret
 39. Si quidem
 42. pars amussibus tegulabant, pars trullis linebant, pars scindere rupes, pars mari, pars terrae intendebant vehere,
 60. nunc et barbarius
 62. sanctum idioma

R.

- I. vii. § 2. per primam . . . eluminata¹⁰
 et que commiseras¹¹
 § 3. Non ante tertium per superbiam stultitiam¹²
 § 4. sed etiam ipsum Sennear,
 § 5. quis patrum tot sustineret
 § 6. Siquidem pars amysibus regulabant, pars trullis linebant, pars scindere rupes, pars mari, pars terra vehere intendebant,¹³
 nunc barbariusque
 § 7. sacratum ydioma
 I. viii. § 1. Ex prececedenter memorata
 tunc primum homines humane propaginis principalis¹⁴
 demumque ad fines occidentales protracta, forte primitus¹⁵

¹⁰ The MS. reading *eluminata* (i.e. 'deprived of light') is rightly retained by R. Torri, followed by Fraticelli in his later editions, substituted *eliminata*, which was rejected at first by Giuliani in favour of *elimitata*, but restored in his final corrections.

¹¹ The MSS. read *et commiseras*. Corbinelli inserted *poenas malorum quae*. The *que* (= *quae*) supplied by R. meets the difficulty, while its omission in MSS. is easily accounted for, as he points out.

¹² MSS. *per superbiam stultitiam*.

¹³ The reading *tegulabant* for *regulabant* is due to Torri, who misread the MSS. *Trullis* for the MS. *tuillis* is a correction of Witte's.

¹⁴ R. reads *principalis* in obedience to the MSS.; otherwise he would have accepted *principaliter*, the reading of Corbinelli, as more suited to the context.

¹⁵ *Est* was supplied by Fraticelli, who followed Torri in omitting *que*. *Forte* is a correction of R.'s for the MS. *fore*, for which Corbinelli substituted *unde*, after Trissino's *la onde*.

O.

- I. viii. 14. *advenae*
 15. *repedassent*,
 20. *partem Europae, partem Asiae*
 21. *Ab uno postea eodemque idiomate, immunda confusione recepto*,
 25. *totum quod ab ostiis est Danubii sive Meotidis paludibus usque ad fines occidentales (qui Angliae, Italogum, Francorumque finibus, et Oceano limitantur) solum unum obtinuit idioma*;
 49. *mare, terram, et vivit, moritur, amat, et alia*
- I. ix. 6. *Et quia . . . salubrius breviusque*
 9. *alia deserentes. Nam quod in uno est rationale, videtur in aliis esse causa.*

R.

- I. viii. § 2. *avene* ¹⁶
repedissent,¹⁷
partim Europe, partim Asiae ¹⁸
- § 3. *Ab uno postea eodemque ydiomate in vindice confusione recepto*,¹⁹
totum quod ab hostiis Danubii sive meotidis paludibus usque ad fines occidentales Anglie, Ytalorum Francorumque finibus et Oceano limitatur, solum unum optinuit ydioma,²⁰
- § 5. *mare, terram, est, vivit, moritur, amat, alia*
- I. ix. § 1. *Quia . . . salubrius breviusque* ²¹
*alia desinentes; nam, quod in uno est, rationali videtur in aliis esse causa.*²²

¹⁶ R. thinks *avene* not a mere error for *advenae*, but regards it as a derivative of *a + venire*, in the sense of *che viene da*, or *di fuori*, used purposely by way of antithesis to *advenissent* in the same line. (See *Appendix*.)

¹⁷ In his text R. reads *repedassent*, because of *repedare* (I. xii. § 5), but in a supplementary note (p. ccii) he reverts to the MS. reading *repedissent*, inasmuch as both *repedere* and *repedare* are found. (See *Appendix*.)

¹⁸ The restoration of *partim . . . partim*, which had been altered into *partem . . . partem* in G, whence it was adopted by Corbinelli and his successors, is almost certainly right, it being the *difficilior lectio*, which can hardly have been substituted for an earlier *partem . . . partem*; but the construction is a difficult one.

¹⁹ R.'s correction *in vindice* for *immunda* of the printed edd. is happy, the MS. readings being *imundice* (T), *inundice* (G), which are evident corruptions of a primitive *inuindice*.

²⁰ The departure from the MS. reading, now rightly restored by R., was due to Fraticelli.

²¹ For *salubrius* here Giuliani arbitrarily substitutes *securius*.

²² Various emendations of this passage have been proposed. R.'s *rationali* for the MS. *rationalis* involves the smallest amount of change.

O.

- I. ix. 16. quod convenimus
 23. Gerardus de Borneil :
 24. 'Si m sentis fizels amics
 Per ver encusar Amor.'
 26. Rex Navarriae :
 28. Dom. Guido
 29. 'Nè fe amor'
 30. 'Nè cor gentil, prima
 ch'amor'
 41. Caietani,
 43. Burgi S. Felicis
 45. sermonum varietates quae
 accidunt, una eademque
 ratione patebunt.
 61. in eo quod diximus tem-
 porum distantia locutio-
 nem variari, sed potius
 71. prospicere
 75. quanto longiora
 77. admiramur, si extimationes
 80. sub invariabili . . . ser-
 mone,
 94. nil aliud

R.

- I. ix. § 2. quia convenimus
 § 3. Gerardus de Brunel :
*Sim sentis fezelz amics,
 Per ver encusera Amor.*
 Rex Navarre :
 Dominus Guido
*Nè fa amor
 Nè gentil cor prima che
 amor*
 § 4. Caetani,
 Burgi Sancti Felicis
 sermonum varietates, quid
 accidunt, una eademque
 ratione patebit.
 § 6. in eo quod diximus "tem-
 porum," sed potius²³
 percipere
 quam longiora
 admiremur si extimatio-
 nes²⁴
 sub immutabili . . . ser-
 mone,
 § 7. nichil aliud

- I. x. 1. Trifario nunc exeunte
 27. quod qui dulcius
 29. et domestici
 31. quia magis videntur
 35. iudicium reliquentes
 43. quod, ceu fistulae culmen,
 hinc inde ad diversa stil-
 licidia grundat, et aquae
 ad alterna hinc inde litora

- I. x. § 1. Triphario nunc existente
 § 4. quod dulcius qui
 ac domestici
 quia magis videtur
 § 5. iudicium relinquentes
 § 6. quod, ceu fictile culmen
 hinc inde ad diversa stil-
 licidia grundat, aquas ad
 alterna hinc inde litora

²³ The interpolation of *distantia locutionem variari* is due to Torri, who did not recognize that the word "temporum" was a quotation from what D. had just been saying.

²⁴ For *extimationes* Giuliani unnecessarily substitutes *aestimationes*.

O.

per umbricia longa distil-
lant,

- I. x. 47. Dextrum quoque
52. Marca Anconitana
66. cum Anconitaneis
69. cum Aquileiensibus
72. Quare non a minus quatuordecim

I. xi. *title*. Ostenditur Italiae aliquos

- I. xi. 1. Tam . . . latino
8. existimant
12. Dicimus ergo
17. *Me sure, quinte dici*
19. *sciate sciate*
28. 'Una ferina va scopai da
Cascoli çita çita sen gî a
grande aina.'
30. Bergomates
34. 'In te l' ora'
35. 'Ziò fu'
36. Aquileienses
37. *Çes fastù*
38. eructant.
39. eiciamus,

R.

per imbricia longa distil-
lat,²⁵

- Dextrum quidem
I. x. § 6. Marchia Anconitana²⁶
§ 7. cum Anconitanis
cum Aquilegiensibus
§ 8. Quare ad minus .xiiij.²⁷

Ostenditur in Italia aliquos

- I. xi. § 1. Quam . . . latio
§ 2. extimant
Dicimus igitur
*Mezzure, quinto dici?*²⁸
§ 3. *scate sciate?*
Una fermata scopai da
Cascidli, Cita cita sen
gia'n grande aina.
§ 4. Pergameos²⁹
Enti l' ora
ciò fu
§ 5. Aquilegienses
Ces fastu?
eructuant.
eicimus,

²⁵ For *fistule culmen*, the reading of the MSS., which does not give a satisfactory sense, R. substitutes *ficile culmen* (i.e. the ridge of a tiled roof), a very happy conjecture of Professor Vitelli; this necessitates the further slight alteration of the MS. *grundant, distillant* into *grundat, distillat*.

²⁶ R. substitutes *Marchia* for the MS. *Marca* in order to be in agreement with the *Ianuensis Marchia* and *Marchia Trivisiana* of the context; but he elsewhere tolerates other inconsistencies, such as *locuntur* and *loquuntur*, *Ystrianos* and *Istria*, and the like.

²⁷ Modern edd., from Fraticelli downwards, interpolate *non*, and either omit *ad* or substitute *a*,—an uncalled-for interference with the text.

²⁸ Fraticelli, on the strength of a note of Corbinelli's, explains his reading of this phrase in the Roman dialect as 'Sorella mia, che cosa dici?' R.'s reading (that of the MSS.) *Mezzure* represents 'Messere.'

²⁹ The *Bergomates* of modern edd. is due to Fraticelli. *Pergamum*, as the Latin form of Bergamo, occurs *Epist.* VII. 6.

O.

- I. xi. 42. Pratenses
 42-3. Latini . . . Latinis
 46. *Domus nova, et Dominus
 meus*

I. xii. *title.* De idiomate Siculo et
 Apulo.

- I. xii. 12. 'per lo foco'
 14. 'longamente m' hai'
 29. enitebantur,
 31. Sicilia, factum est ut quic-
 quid . . . Sicilianum voce-
 tur :
 44. accipere volumus, scilicet
 quod proditur a terrigenis
 . . . elicendum videtur,
 50. 'Traggemi . . . bolontate.'
 51. accipere nolumus, sed quod
 55. sicut . . . ostendemus.
 65. prospicientibus

R.

- I. xi. § 5. Fratenses⁸⁰
 § 6. Latii . . . Latiis
*domus nova et dominus
 meus*⁸¹

*Quod in eodem loco di-
 versificatur idioma se-
 cundum quod variatur
 tempus.*

- I. xii. § 2. *per lo focho*
lungiamente m' ai
 § 3. nitebantur,
 Sicilia, factum est, quic-
 quid . . . sicilianum vo-
 caretur :⁸²
 § 5. accipere volumus secun-
 dum quod prodit a terri-
 genis . . . elicendum vi-
 detur,⁸³
Tragemi . . . boluntate.
 accipere volumus secun-
 dum quod⁸⁴
 sicut . . . ostendimus.
 § 7. perspicientibus

⁸⁰ While admitting *Fratenses* into his text R. is inclined to think he has been somewhat hasty in accepting it against the traditional *Pratenses* (see p. ccii). Assuming the former to be correct, R. would refer it to Fratta di Valle Tiberina, now Umbertide, which was well known on account of the neighbouring Camaldolese monastery of Monte Corona, of which St. Peter Damian was at one time abbot. (See *Appendix*.)

⁸¹ For *domus nova* Giuliani reads *domus mea*, without good reason.

⁸² The interpolation of *ut* before *quicquid* is due to a suggestion of Witte. The MSS. read *vocetur*, for which R. substitutes *vocaretur*, as being required by the sense of the passage.

⁸³ It appears that *scilicet* for *secundum* is due to a misreading of the MSS.; *proditur a terrigenis*, Fraticelli's reading, is based apparently on a misprint in Torri, viz. *proditur terrigenis*; Giuliani reads *proditur e terrigenis* without remark, but *e* is perhaps a misprint (see his note).

⁸⁴ The old reading is due to Trissino, whose rendering was based apparently on a misreading of the MSS., viz. *sed* for *secundum*.

O.	R.
I. xii. 67. 'dir vi voglio' 69. 'vo' s'ì lietamente.' 71. neque Apulum	I. xii. § 7. <i>dire vi voglio</i> ³⁵ <i>vo s'ì lietamente</i> § 8. nec apulum
I. xiii. <i>title.</i> De idiomate Tuscorum et Ianuensium.	<i>Quod in quolibet idio- mate sunt aliqua tur- pia, sed pre ceteris tus- cum est turpissimum.</i> ³⁶
I. xiii. 1. Post hos 2. infruniti, 4. plebeorum . . . intentio, 10. Brunetum 19. 'Manuchiamo introcque : Non facciamo altro' 22. 'di Fioransa' 24. 'in gassara . . . Luca.' 26. 'rinegata . . . Siena.' 35. sensimus, 48. ammitterent ³⁸ 49. reperire ³⁹	I. xiii. § 1. Post hoc infroniti, plebea . . . intentio, Brunettum § 2. <i>Manichiamo introque.</i> <i>— Noi non facciamo</i> <i>atro.</i> <i>De Fiorenza</i> <i>in gassarra . . . Lucca.</i> <i>renegata . . . Siena!</i> <i>Ch'ee chesto?</i> ³⁷ § 3. sentimus, § 4. amitterent reparare
I. xiv. <i>title.</i> . . . Transpadanis <i>transpadinis</i> . . .
I. xiv. 2. laevam Italiam cunctam venemur, 6. convenientiis 9. mollitiem	I. xiv. § 1. levam Ytaliā contanter venemur, ⁴⁰ § 2. convenientibus mollitudinem

³⁵ R. places a dot under the *e* of *dire* to indicate that it is not sounded; he uses this same symbol (which is not very appropriate in an edition like the present) on several other occasions, e.g. *lq* (I. xv. § 5); *gentile* (II. v. § 4); *core* (II. vi. § 5).

³⁶ The MSS. read *est excelens*, which is in contradiction with the contents of the chapter. R. reads *est turpissimum*, some such expression being wanted. The alteration was doubtless due to the outraged patriotism of a Tuscan scribe.

³⁷ *Ch'ee chesto?* was omitted by Trissino, and hence by Fraticelli and succeeding editors.

³⁸ This, the reading of Fraticelli and Giuliani, is obviously wrong, though it occurs in one MS.

³⁹ So Fraticelli and Giuliani, misled by Trissino's *trovare*.

⁴⁰ The MSS. read *contanti*; R.'s conjecture *contanter* (or, as an alternative, *contantes*) is manifestly preferable to *cunctam*, which is due to Corbinelli.

O.

- I. xiv. 12. Hoc Romandioli omnes habent,
 25. Hoc . . . Vicentini habent, nec non Paduani
 32. *v* consonantem
 34. *nove*,
 37. errore compulsus
 41. Inter quos unum

I. xv. *title*. . . Bononiensi.

- I. xv. 1. de Italica silva . . . percunctari
 9. convicimus,
 13. quomodolibet
 14. Accipiunt etiam . . . molliem,
 17. quae propria
 30. oppositorum, ut dictum est, ad laudabilem
 33. Ita si
 42. Guinicelli . . . Ghiselerius . . . Fabricius
 44. nunquam a primo ⁴⁵
 48. 'il fermo core'
 49. Fabritius
 50. 'Lo mio'
 52. 'soccorso,'
 54. residibus
 68. Latinum illustre

R.

- I. xiv. § 2. Hoc Romandiolos omnes habet,
 § 3. Hoc . . . Vigentinos habet, nec non Paduanos, *u* consonantem ⁴¹
novem,
 § 4. errore confisus ⁴²
 Inter quos omnes unum

Bononiensium.

- I. xv. § 1. de ytala silva . . . percontari
 § 2. conicimus, quomodocunque
 § 3. Accipiunt etenim ⁴³ . . . mollitudinem, que proprie
 § 4. oppositorum ad laudabilem
 § 5. Itaque, si Guinizelli . . . Ghisilerius Fabrutius ⁴⁴
 nunquam a proprio *lo* ⁴⁵ *fermo core*
Fabrutius ⁴⁴
Lo meo
secorso,
 § 6. residuis
 Latium illustre

⁴¹ R. is certainly right in printing *u* here, as against the *v* of the previous edd.

⁴² MSS. *confessus*; R.'s emendation (he gives *confusus* as an alternative) is preferable to Trissino's *compulsus*, which was accepted by Torri and succeeding edd.

⁴³ This is a conjecture of Giuliani for the MS. *etiam*, which, however, he retained in his text.

⁴⁴ The name of this Bolognese poet was not Fabrizio, but Fabruzzo, as R. points out.

⁴⁵ This is the MS. reading. R.'s conjecture has much in its favour. Giuliani's *ab ipso* is satisfactory as far as sense goes; but it is a mere arbitrary substitution, without any regard for palaeographical possibilities.

⁴⁶ I. e. 1/2; see note 35.

O.

I. xvi. *title.* De excellentia vulgaris eloquentiae, et quod communis est omnibus Italicis.

- I. xvi. 5. redolentem ubique et ubique apparentem
 7. tendiculis
 8. in omni genere rerum
 11. et illinc . . . accipiamus.
 21. et de
 22. scilicet quod unumquodque mensurabile sit in genere illo secundum id quod simplicissimum est in ipso genere.
 30. illas intelligamus ;
 37. idest morum et
 41. sunt actionum . . . sed in omnibus
 49. Deus est, qui in homine
 51. in hac, quam in igne :
 56. in viridi
 61. municipalia

I. xvii. *title.* Quare hoc idioma illustre vocetur.

R.

I. xvi. *title.* Quod in quolibet ydionate est aliquid pulcrum, et in nullo omnia pulcra.

- I. xvi. § 1. redolentem ubique et necubi⁴⁷ apparentem tenticulis
 § 2. in omni rerum genere et illud . . . accipimus :⁴⁸ et etiam de scilicet, unumquodque mensurabile fit, secundum quod in genere est, illo quod simplicissimum est in ipso genere.⁴⁹
 § 3. illam intelligamus ; et morum et
 § 4. sunt actiones . . . et in omnibus Deus est, in homine⁵⁰ in hac quam in elemento ;⁵¹ in viride
 § 5. municipia

Quod ex multis ydionatibus fiat unum pulcrum; et facit mentionem de Cino Pistoriensi.

⁴⁷ An excellent emendation. Giuliani reads *nec usquam* after Witte, and quite unjustifiably substitutes *residentem* (in text) or *manentem* (in notes) for *apparentem*.

⁴⁸ MSS. *et illico . . . accipiamus*; Giuliani, after Boehmer, *ut illinc . . . accipiamus*. (See *Appendix*.)

⁴⁹ This most acceptable restoration of the text is arrived at by the simple expedient of substituting *fit* for *sit*, and correcting the punctuation (introduced by Corbinelli).

⁵⁰ R. passes over without remark the *qui* in previous edd.

⁵¹ The history of this passage is curious; for the MS. *elemento* Corbinelli printed *caelo*, for which Torri substituted *igne*, which was adopted by Fraticelli and Giuliani. The latter, in his corrections, proposes an altogether absurd reconstruction of the passage, viz. 'in Coelo, quam in elementis, in igne, quam in terra, in hac, quam in igne'!! The restoration of the MS. reading is due primarily to Witte.

O.

R.

- | | |
|---|---|
| <p>I. xvii. 5. faciemus patere.
 8. Per hoc quidquid illustre
 . . . praeifulget.
 32. Nonne domestici sui
 reges, . . . et magnates
 quoslibet</p> | <p>I. xvii. § 1. facimus patere.
 § 2. Per hoc quidem quod
 illustre . . . perfulgens.
 § 5. Nonne domestici sui,
 reges, . . . et magnates,
 quoslibet</p> |
| <p>I. xviii. <i>title.</i> Quare hoc idioma voce-
 tur cardinale, aulicum et
 curiale.</p> | <p><i>De excellentia vulgaris
 eloquentie; et quod
 comunis est omnibus
 italicis.</i></p> |
| <p>I. xviii. 2. vulgarem illustrem de-
 cussamus
 5. et quo cardo vertitur ver-
 satur⁵²
 15. ut admoveant et remove-
 ant,
 17. decorari
 32. velut accola</p> | <p>I. xviii. § 1. vulgare illustre decusa-
 mus
 ut, quo cardo vertitur,
 versetur
 ut amoveant et admo-
 veant,
 decusari
 § 2. velut acola⁵³</p> |
| <p>II. xix. 9. sic est invenire</p> | <p>I. xix. § 1. est invenire⁵⁴</p> |
| <p>II. i. <i>title.</i> . . . vulgari,
 II. i. 1. Sollicitantes iterum cele-
 ritatem . . . , et ad cala-
 mum⁵⁵
 8. permanet firmum exem-
 plar, et non e contrario,
 quia quaedam videntur
 praebere primatum ver-</p> | <p><i>vulgare,</i>
 II. i. § 1. Sollicitantes iterum ce-
 leritatem . . . ad cala-
 mum
 permanere videtur ex-
 emplar et non e con-
 verso, que quendam
 videntur prebere prima-</p> |

⁵² This reading originated apparently in a piece of carelessness on the part of Corbinelli, who printed *et* for *ut*, the change of mood being due to Maffei.

⁵³ R. preserves this form as having possibly a different meaning from *accola*.

⁵⁴ In a note on this passage R. draws attention to a serious gap in Giuliani's text, a whole phrase being omitted, evidently through an oversight.

⁵⁵ This is one of the passages where O. departs from the traditional reading, viz. *Pollicitantes*. For *celeritatem* Giuliani arbitrarily reads *sedulitatem*, which, on the strength of Trissino's *diligensa*, he coolly assumes to have been the MS. reading.

O.

- sui ; ergo secundum
quod
- II. i. 27. non solum bene ipsi rudi-
tati faciet, sed ipsum sic
facere oportere videtur.
30. multa possunt.
49. nemo enim montaninis hoc
dicet esse conveniens.
Sed optimae conceptiones
non possunt esse nisi ubi
scientia et ingenium est ;
ergo optima loquela non
convenit rusticana trac-
tantibus ; convenit ergo
individui gratia :
66. optimis conceptionibus, ut
dictum est,
70. nisi in illis
75. Quare . . . non omnes
80. bovem ephippiatum
86. perfectum
- II. ii. 8. illud quod dicimus, dig-
num esse quod dignitatem
habet,

R.

- tum, primo secundum
quod⁵⁶
- II. i. § 2. non solum bene facere,
sed ipsum sic facere
oportere videtur.⁵⁷
multa possunt !
- § 5. nemo enim montaninis
rusticana tractantibus
hoc dicet esse conve-
niens ; convenit ergo
individui gratia.⁵⁸
- § 6. ut dictum est, optimis
conceptionibus
nisi illis
- § 7. Quapropter . . . nec
omnes
bovem ephippiatum⁵⁹
- § 8. profectum
- II. ii. §§ 1, 2. illud quod dicimus dig-
num. Dicimus dignum
esse quod dignitatem
habet,⁶⁰

⁵⁶ Here again R. restores order out of the chaos produced by the multitude of counsellors, by simply reading *quēdam* (= *quendam*) for the MS. *quedam* (= *quaedam*). Giuliani has taken all sorts of liberties with the text in this passage ; a little further on he, without a word of explanation, substitutes *polliciti sumus* for *polluximus*, which he evidently did not understand. Further on again he similarly substitutes *comprehendi* for *perpendi*.

⁵⁷ The interpolation in the previous edd. is due to Corbinelli.

⁵⁸ This passage is much confused in the MSS. R. cuts out *Sed optimae conceptiones non possunt esse nisi ubi scientia et ingenium est ; ergo optima loquela non convenit*, inasmuch as these identical words recur in the text a few lines further on.

⁵⁹ This phrase, which is evidently a reminiscence of Horace, I. *Epist.* XIV. 43 : 'Optat ephippia bos, piger optat arare caballus,' occurs also in the *Magnae Derivationes* of Ugucione da Pisa, with which Dante was familiar. (See *Romania*, No. 104, Oct. 1897.)

⁶⁰ R.'s repetition of *dicimus dignum* gives a satisfactory result, and is an ingenious way out of the difficulty of the MS. reading, without transgressing the limits of probability.

O.

- II. ii. 11. cognoscitur, in quantum
huius : unde cognita dig-
nitate, cognoscemus et
dignum.
13. Est enim
16. perventum
22. sicut in aliis
29. manifestum est quod dig-
nitates inter se compar-
antur
32. et per consequens aliud
dignum, aliud dignissi-
mum esse constat.

48. videlicet spiritu vegetabili,

50. quod vegetabile est,
73. Venus, virtus,
85. ' Non puesc mudar q'un
chantar non esparja '
87. ' L'aura amara fa'ls broils
blancutz clarzir '
89. ' Per solatz revelhar Que
s'es '
92. ' Degno son io, che mora. '
95. nullum Italum

- II. iii. 3. Volentes ergo
16. digna sunt
38. magis honoris afferunt suis
47. Adhuc . . . comprehendit
49. cum ergo . . . comprehen-
datur,

R.

- II. ii. § 2. cognoscitur in quantum
habituatum, cognita dig-
nitate cognoscemus et
dignum.⁶¹
Est etenim
profectum
§ 3. et in aliis etiam
manifestum est ut digni-
tates inter se comparen-
tur
et per consequens, aliquid
dignum, aliquid dignius,
aliquid dignissimum esse
constat.⁶²
§ 4. spiritu videlicet vegeta-
bili,
quod vegetabile quid est,
§ 5. Venus et Virtus,
§ 6. *Non posc mudar c'un
cantar non esparja*
*L'aura amara — fal
bruol brancus — clairir.*
*Per solaz reveillar Che
s'es*
Digno sono eo de morte.
nullum latium

- II. iii. § 2. Volentes igitur
sunt digna
§ 5. magis afferunt suis⁶³
§ 7. Ad hoc, . . . comprehendit
cum igitur . . . compren-
datur,

⁶¹ The emendation *habituatum* for MS. *huius unde* (if that be the correct expansion of the MS. reading) is happy, but perhaps a little hazardous. (See *Appendix*.)

⁶² R. notes that *aliud dignius* was omitted by an oversight from Fraticelli's edition of 1861; it was omitted also in the third edition (1873), and hence also in O. The missing phrase is supplied in Giuliani's edition.

⁶³ The interpolation of *honoris* is due to Torri.

O.

R.

II. iii. 55. in hoc palatur, quod quicquid artis reperitur in ipsis est, sed non convertitur. Hoc signum autem

II. iii. §§ 7, 8. in hoc palatur,⁶⁴ quod quicquid artis reperitur, in ipsis reperitur; sed non convertitur hoc. Signum autem

II. iv. 1. adpotiavimus
8. Et quod huc usque casualiter est assumptum,
14. ergo
20. fictio rethorica, in musicaque posita.

22. qui magno sermone
25. istos⁶⁸
26. doctrinae aliquid operae nostrae impendentes, . . . poeticas
31. excipere aequale,
32. gravatam virtutem

II. iv. § 1. aporiavimus⁶⁵
et qui hucusque casualiter est assumptus,
§ 2. igitur
fictio rethorica versificata in musicaque posita.⁶⁶
quia magni sermone⁶⁷
illos
doctrinae operam impendentes, . . . poetrias⁶⁹
§ 3. coequare,⁷⁰
gravata virtute

⁶⁴ For *palatur* Giuliani, without remark, substitutes *patet*.

⁶⁵ This is a most satisfactory emendation of the MS. reading *apotiauiumus*,—a word which has been a great stumbling-block to the editors. Both *aporiari* and *aporiare* (act. and neut.) were in use in mediaeval Latin. Ducange quotes the following lines from an old grammarian as to the distinction between the two:—

Aporio, si sit activum, tanta notabit,
Indicat et aperit, depauperat atque revelat.
Cum neutrum, signat tunc anxior atque laboro.
In sensu et tali deponens vult reperiri.

⁶⁶ R. interpolates *versificata* to complete the definition, and also because the *-que* (if that be the correct expansion of the symbol in the MSS.) indicates that a word is missing. We much prefer, however, his alternative conjecture, which necessitates no interpolation, and is quite legitimate, palaeographically, viz. *fictio rethorica musica composita*. (See *Appendix*.)

⁶⁷ Corbinelli reads *quia magno sermone*; Fraticelli, Torri, Giuliani, *quia isti magno s.*; the reading of O. is due to Prompt.

⁶⁸ This reading of Fraticelli and Giuliani is not noted by R.

⁶⁹ The interpolations in the traditional text are due to Corbinelli. R.'s emendation necessitates merely the alteration of the MS. *operi* into *operam*; but we are inclined to favour his alternative *operi intendentes*. (See *Appendix*.)

⁷⁰ A satisfactory restoration of the right reading.

O.

- II. iv. 34. in principio *Poeticae* 'Sumite materiam' etc. dicit.
 37. discretionem potiri
 39. induimus
 44. cantionem ligare

 46. et eius
 49. omittamus
 55. Sed quia,
 66. et pure
 67. tensis fidibus adsumat
 secure plectrum et cum
 more incipiat.
 69. Sed cantionem, atque discretionem hanc, sicut decet, facere, hoc opus
 77. confiteatur eorum stultitia
 80. a tanta.

R.

- II. iv. § 3. in principio Poetrie, *Sumite materiam* dicit.
 § 4. discretionem potiri
 inducimus⁷¹
 § 5. cantionem oportet ligare⁷²
 et huius
 obmittamus
 § 6. Et quando,
 § 7. ac pure
 tensis fidibus, adsumptum secure plectrum tum
 movere incipiat.⁷³
 Sed cautionem atque discretionem habere, sicut decet, hoc opus⁷⁴
 confiteantur eorum stultitiam
 et a tanta
- II. v. 8. nullum adhuc invenimus
 carmen in syllabando
 endecasylabum transcendisse,
 13. pentasylabum et eptasylabum et
- II. v. § 2. nullum adhuc invenimus
 in carmine sillabando
 endecadem transcendisse,
 pentasillabum, eptasillabum et

⁷¹ R. here notes a remarkable instance of the untrustworthiness of Giuliani, who reads *intelligimus* and justifies it as follows: 'il Cod. Vaticano ha per l'appunto *intelligimus*, siccome nel Volgarizzamento v'è *intendemo*' — it will scarcely be credited, after these explicit statements, that the passage in question is wanting both in V and in Trissino's version! Giuliani's emendation of the next two lines, which he claims to be a restoration of the genuine reading, is a further proof of his incapacity and want of self-restraint as an editor.

⁷² Another excellent emendation.

⁷³ R. here very happily gets rid of what he justly calls 'quel ridicolo *cum more*' of the MSS. and printed edd.

⁷⁴ The interpolation of *facere* is due to Corbinelli, who did not see that the abbreviated *hanc* of the MSS. was an evident corruption of abbreviated *habere*. It is surprising that *cantionem* should not have been corrected long ago.

O.

R.

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|---|---|
| II. v. 20. speciositas | II. v. § 3. specimen ⁷⁵ |
| 22. ubicumque ponderosa multiplicantur, et pondus. | ubicumque ponderosa multiplicantur, multiplicatur et pondus. ⁷⁶ |
| 25. incipientes | § 4. principiantes ⁷⁷ |
| 26. de Bornello : | de B., |
| 27. 'auziretz . . . chantars.' | <i>ausirez . . . cantars.</i> |
| 34. rithmus ⁷⁸ | rithimus |
| 37. Navarriae | Navarre |
| 42. 'Al cor gentil ripara ' | <i>Al cor gentile repara</i> ⁷⁹ |
| 43. Messina | Messana |
| 44. 'longiamente m' hai ' | <i>lungiamente m' ài</i> |
| 46. 'lietamente ' | <i>letamente</i> |
| 48. 'giammai ' | <i>già mai</i> |
| 50. 'muovi tua virtù dal cielo.' | <i>movi tua virtù da cielo.</i> |
| 51. Et licet hoc endecasyl-
labum celeberrimum car-
men, ut dictum est, vide-
atur | § 5. Et licet hoc quod dictum
est, celeberrimum carmen,
ut dignum est, videatur ⁸⁰ |
| 61. Enneasyllabum | § 6. Neasyllabum |
| 63. parisyllabos | parisillaba |
| 75. quomodo ligare | § 7. quomodo viere ⁸¹ |

⁷⁵ The uncalled-for substitution of *speciositas* is due to Witte.

⁷⁶ R. does well to supply *multiplicatur*, which might easily have dropped out, especially as *multiplicantur* ends a line (in T); the construction is very harsh without it.

⁷⁷ Obviously preferable to Fraticelli's *incipientes*, the MS. reading being *principiantes*.

⁷⁸ This appears to be merely a reproduction of a misprint in Fraticelli, who elsewhere prints *rithimus* (see II. 9).

⁷⁹ See note 35.

⁸⁰ R. thus satisfactorily, by the help of T, restores the text which had been mutilated by Corbinelli.

⁸¹ This is one of the most satisfactory of R.'s restorations, although, as he explains in a prefatory note (p. cciii), it occurred to him too late to be inserted in his text. The MSS. apparently read *inere*; his first conjecture (printed in the text) was *innectere*; the right solution was suggested by a passage in Ugucione (quoted on p. clxxv), in which the derivation of *auctor*, *autor*, is discussed, — the same passage of which Dante makes use in the *Convivio* (IV. 6). Ugucione says: 'invenitur quoddam verbum defectivum, scilicet *avieo-es*, idest *ligo-as*.' The simple verb occurs, as R. points out, in St. Isidore of Seville, who in the *Etymologiae* (VIII. vii. 3), in discussing the derivation of *vates* says: '*Vates* a vi mentis appellatus, Varro auctor est: vel a viendis carminibus, id est flectendis, hoc est modulandis.

O.

R.

II. vi. *title*. De varia constructione,
qua utendum est in cantio-
nibus.

*Quod ex cognitione di-
versorum auctorum per-
ficitur scientia poetandi
vulgariter.*

II. vi. 6. modum cantionum

II. vi. § 1. modum cantionarium

15. hic quinque

§ 2. .v. hic

20. digressionis⁸²

§ 3. discretionis

23. quia inferiorem

quia nec inferiorem⁸³

36. *Piget me cunctis, sed pie-
tatem maiorem illorum
habeo, quicumque*

§ 4. *Piget me, cunctis pietate
maiorem, quicumque*⁸⁴

43. *sua magnificentia prae-
parata cunctis illum facit
esse dilectum.*

*sua magnificentia prae-
parata cunctis, illum
facit esse dilectum.*⁸⁵

48. *Totila serus*

*Totila secundus*⁸⁶

56. Navarriae

§ 5. Navarre⁸⁷

57. 'Dreit Amor qu'en'

Ire d'amor qui en

59. 'm'abelhis . . . pensamens.'

m'abellis . . . pensamen;

60. Harnaldus Daniel :

Arnaldus Danielis,

61. 'qui . . . sobrafan, que m
sortz.'

*che . . . sobraffan chem
sorz;*

62. Hamericus de Belinoi :

Namericus de Belnui,

63. 'no pot . . . adreitamen.'

*non pot . . . adrechia-
men;*

64. Hamericus

Namericus

65. 'que per sobrecarcar.'

che per sobre carcar

67. 'di folle impresa allo'

de folle 'mpresa, a lo

. . . *Viere* enim antiqui pro *vincire* ponebant.' *Viere* is also given by Ugucione, who says :
" *Vieo, -es, vievi, vietum*, idest *vincire, ligare*." The *ligare* of the printed edd. is due simply
to a gloss in G.

⁸² Here O., following G, abandons the correct reading printed by Fraticelli and Giuliani.

⁸³ The omission of *nec* in all the printed edd. appears to have been due to an oversight
on the part of Corbinelli.

⁸⁴ R. restores the MS. reading, but there is evidently something wrong.

⁸⁵ It is difficult to decide what should be the punctuation of this passage. R. is inclined
to think that a second *cunctis* has possibly dropped out.

⁸⁶ There can be little doubt as to the correctness of this emendation.

⁸⁷ R. thinks this quotation is out of its place; he inserts it between the Provençal and
Italian quotations.

O.

- II. vi. 68. Cavalcanti.
 69. 'di doglia cuor convien'
 71. 'Avenga ch' io non aggia'
 80. Ovidium in *Metamorphoseos*,
 83. Tullium, Livium, Plinium,
 86. Desistant ergo
 87. Guidonem
 89. desuetos plebescere.
- II. vii. *title*. Quae sint ponenda vocabula, et quae in metro vulgari cadere non possunt.
- II. vii. 12. quaedam pexa et irsuta, quaedam lubrica et reburra
 21. bona ratione . . . per alta declivia
 23. Intuearis ergo, lector, quantum
 34. propter asperitatem, ut *greggia*, et caetera ;
 44. immediate post mutam locatam, quasi loquentem
 47. *virtute*, . . . *letizia*, . . . *difesa*.
 53. *sì*, *vo*,

R.

- II. vi. § 5. Cavalcantis
*de doglia core*⁸⁸ *conven*
Avegna che io aggia
- § 6. Ovidium *Metamorphoseos*,
 Titum Livium, Plinium,⁸⁹
 Subsistant igitur
 Guittonem
 plebescere desuetos !
Distinctio vocabulorum; et quae sint ponenda, et quae in metro vulgaria cadere non possunt.
- II. vii. §. 2. quaedam pexa et lubrica, quaedam irsuta et reburra
 § 2. bone rationi, . . . per altera declivia
 § 3. Intuearis ergo, lector : attende, quantum
 § 4. propter hausteritatem, ut *greggia* et cetera ;⁹⁰
 § 5. immediate post mutam, dolata⁹¹ quasi, loquentem
vertute, . . . *letitia*, . . . *defesa*.⁹²
 § 6. *sì*, *no*,⁹³

⁸⁸ See note 35.⁸⁹ So the MSS. The *Tullium* of Fraticelli, etc., is due to Trissino.⁹⁰ In a prefatory note (p. cciii) R. expresses a doubt as to whether the correct reading should not be 'ut *greggia* et *cetra*.'⁹¹ The MSS. read *mutam dolatam*, for which Witte conjectured *mutam locatam*; this was accepted by Fraticelli. Giuliani, without hesitation, reads *duplicatam*.⁹² R. does not note that Fraticelli and Giuliani read *difesa*.⁹³ MSS. *uo*, but R. seems undoubtedly right in reading *no*, in accordance with a suggestion of Boehmer.

O.

II. vii. 60. *onore, . . . alleviato, impossibilitate, . . . avventuratissimamente,*

69. *onorificabilitudinitate,*

II. viii. *title.* Quid sit cantio, et quod pluribus modis variatur.

II. viii. 6. quid sit

17. vel prout passio.

22. *Aeneidos*

31. magis ideo prorsus denominari

53. ballatae et sonitus, et omnia cuiuscumque modi verba sint armonizata . . . dicimus.

58. liquentes,

64. generale videatur,

67. cantio, prout nos quaerimus, in quantum per superexcellentiam dicitur, est aequalium stantiarum

72. cum diximus :

73. 'ch' avete intelletto'

74-9. Et sic patet quod cantio sit, . . . molimur.

80-5. Quod autem dicimus . . . intendimus ⁹⁵

R.

II. vii. § 6. *honore, . . . alleviato, impossibilità, impossibilitate, . . . inanimatissimamente,*⁹⁴

honorificabilitudinitate,

Ostendit quod pluribus modis variatur eloquentia vulgaris, set precipuum est per cantilenas, sive cantiones.

II. viii. § 1. qui sit

§ 3. vel prout est passio.

§ 4. Eneidorum

magis — immo prorsus — denominari

§ 6. ballatas et sonitus, et omnia cuiuscumque modi verba scilicet armonizata . . . dicimus.

linquentes,

generale videtur,

§ 7. cantio, in quantum per superexcellentiam dicitur, ut et nos querimus, est equalium stantiarum

cum dicimus :

che avete intelletto

§ 8. Et sic patet quid cantio sit, . . . molimur.

⁹⁴ There can be little doubt that R. is right in thus correcting the MS. *mammatisissimamente*.

⁹⁵ R. transposes these two paragraphs, reading 'Quod autem dicimus . . . intendimus. Et sic patet . . . molimur.'

O.

II. ix. *title.* Quae sint principales in cantione partes, . . . pars est.

II. ix. 12. stantia, hoc est mansio capax vel receptaculum totius artis.

22. innotescit

32. minime liceret quod dictum est.

34. quod est artis, comprehenditur ibi cum dicemus partium habitudinem.

36. hic⁹⁷ colligere possumus

II. x. *title.* Quid sit cantus stantiae, et quod

II. x. 17. sed in modo diversari videtur ;

21. sine dieresi ; et diesim

28. 'ed al gran'

29. dieresim . . . dieresis . . . dieresim vel post vel utrimque.⁹⁸

33. dieresim . . . stantiam

37. dieresim

II. xi. *title.* De habitudine stantiae, de numero pedum et syllabarum,

II. xi. 3. haec enim

7. Incipientes ergo

R.

Ponit quae sint partes in cantione, . . . pars sit.

II. ix. § 2. stantia — hoc est mansio capax, sive receptaculum — totius artis.

innotescet

§ 4. minime liceret : quod dictum est.

quod est ars, illud comprehenditur ibi cum dicimus "partium habitudinem."⁹⁸

§ 5. sic colligere possumus

Ostendit quid sit stantia, et quod

II. x. § 2. sed in modis diversificari videntur ;

sine diesi ; et diesim⁹⁸

e al gran

§ 3. diesim . . . diesis . . . diesim,⁹⁸ vel post vel utrimque.

diesim⁹⁸ . . . stantias

diesim⁹⁸

De numero pedum et sillabarum,

II. xi. § 1. hec etenim

§ 2. Incipientes igitur

⁹⁶ As R. points out, these last two words must be regarded as a quotation, otherwise they could hardly stand.

⁹⁷ This appears to be due to a mere piece of carelessness on the part of Corbinelli.

⁹⁸ There can be no doubt as to what the MS. reading represents. The substitution of *dieresis* for *diesis* throughout this chapter, in which it occurs seven times, is due to Torri.

⁹⁹ Witte is responsible for this needless alteration.

O.

- II. xi. 8. frons cum versibus, et
pedes cum syrmate sive
cauda, et quidem pedes
cum versibus
17. quilibet versus dimeter,
22. 'della mente'
28. Et quemadmodum dici-
mus versus superare posse
carminibus et syllabis
frontem, sic dici potest
frontem in his duobus
posse superare versus :
sicut quando quilibet ver-
sus esset duobus eptasyll-
labis metris, et frons
esset pentametra duobus
endecasyllabis et tribus
eptasyllabis contexta.
38. 'muovi tua virtù dal
cielo'
43. posse superare carmini-
bus et syllabis superari,
et e contrario,
47. in stantia esse tres pedes
et duos versus, et tres
versus et duos pedes :
50. simul contexere.
60. quia iterum¹⁰²

II. xii. *title.* fiant stantiae, . . . in
carminibus.

R.

- II. xi. § 2. frons cum versibus, pedes
cum cauda vel sirmate,
nec non pedes cum ver-
sibus¹⁰⁰
§ 3. quilibet versus esset di-
meter,
de la mente
Et quemadmodum dici-
mus de fronte, et de
versibus posset dici ; pos-
sent etenim versus supe-
rare frontem carminibus,
et sillabis superari ; ut
si quilibet versus esset
trimeter, et eptasyllaba
metra, et frons esset
pentametra, duobus en-
decasyllabis et tribus
eptasyllabis contexta.¹⁰¹
§ 4. *movi tua virtù da cielo*
posse superare carmini-
bus sillabis superatam,
et e converso,
§ 5. esse in stantia tres pedes
et duo versus, et tres
versus et duo pedes ;
similiter contexere.
§ 7. quin iterum

*fiant cantiones, . . . in
carmine.*

¹⁰⁰ The reading of the previous edd. was due to an accidental omission of Corbinelli, which was supplied by Fraticelli by means of Trissino's version.

¹⁰¹ The MS. text of this passage is very corrupt. R. by an interpolation, which he more or less satisfactorily justifies, has effectively emended it.

¹⁰² *Quia*, which is certainly wrong, was due originally to a misprint in Maffei's edition, whence it was copied by Fraticelli. The mistake was corrected by Torri and Giuliani.

O.

- II. xii. 8. endecasyllabum scilicet,
et eptasyllabum, et pentasyllabum; quae ante
alia sequenda astruximus.
17. 'mi prega'
18. diximus:
19. 'intellecto d' amore.'
20. dico Hispanos qui poetati sunt in vulgari *oc*.
22. Hamericus de Belinoi:
23. 'adreitamen.'
31. haec est
34. uno eptasyllabo
41. Fabritium
42. 'Di fermo'
46. 'Lo mio'
50. procedere
54. dico *in pedibus*,
55. pedibusque versibusque
63. 'Donna mi prega, perch'io voglio dire.'
65. 'm' ha'
69. Hoc satis hinc, lector, sufficienter eligere potes qualiter tibi habituanda sit stantia: habitudo namque circa carmina considerata videtur.
72. Et hoc etiam

R.

- II. xii. § 2. endecasillabum scilicet, eptasillabum, et pentasillabum; que trisillabum¹⁰³ ante alia sequi astruximus.
- § 3. *me prega*
dicimus,
intellecto d' amore.
dico Yspanos, qui poetati sunt in vulgari *oc*.
Namericus de Belnui,
adrechamen.¹⁰⁴
- § 4. hee sunt
§ 5. uno solo eptasillabo
Fabrutium¹⁰⁵
De fermo
Lo meo
procedisse
§ 6. dico "pedibus,"
pedibus versibusque
§ 7. *Donna me prega*,

m' à
§ 10. Satis hinc, lector, sufficienter eligere potes qualiter tibi habituanda sit stantia habitudine que circa carmina considerata videtur.¹⁰⁶
§ 8. Hoc etiam

¹⁰³ The omission of *trisillabum*, which R. now restores to the text, was due in the first instance to Trissino; he was followed by Corbinelli and all subsequent edd.

¹⁰⁴ An obvious correction, hitherto overlooked.

¹⁰⁵ See note 44. R., noting that here D. names only two poets, but gives three examples, thinks a name has been omitted; he would supply *Guidonem Guinizelli* in front of the other two.

¹⁰⁶ This passage (which he emends by substituting *habitudine que* for *habitudino namque*, and altering the punctuation) is placed by R. at the end of the chapter.

O.

R.

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| II. xii. 77. pars trimetra | II. xii. § 8. pes trimeter ¹⁰⁷ |
| 80. sic pars altera, extrema
endecasyllaba et medium
eptasyllabum habeat : | et pes alter habeat se-
cundum eptasyllabum
et extrema endecasil-
laba : ¹⁰⁸ |
| 85. quemadmodum de pedi-
bus dicimus et de versi-
bus ; | § 9. quemadmodum de pedi-
bus, dicimus et de versi-
bus ; |
| 87. illi ante, hi post dieresim | hii ante, hii post die-
sim ¹⁰⁹ |
| 92. sic de duobus, et de plu-
ribus | sic de pluribus, |
| II. xiii. <i>title.</i> De relatione rithimo-
rum, . . . in stantia. | |
| II. xiii. 6. quaedam reseranda | II. xiii. § 2. quedam resecanda |
| 7. stantia sive rithimus, | stantia sine rithimo, ¹¹⁰ |
| 12. 'Si m fos Amors, de joi
donar tan larga.' | <i>Sem fos Amor de joi
donar ;</i> ¹¹¹ |
| 13. diximus : | dicimus, |
| 14. 'Al poco giorno, ed al
gran cerchio d'ombra.' | <i>Al poco giorno.</i> ¹¹¹ |
| 28. ore tenus intimavit. | § 3. oretenus intimavit. ¹¹² |
| 37. diversos rithimos faciunt
esse | diversos faciunt esse
rithimos |
| 38. post dieresim | § 4. post diesim ¹¹³ |
| 49. omnis apta licentia | § 5. omnis optata licentia |
| 60. in praemediato capitulo | § 6. in preinmediato capitulo |
| 64. omni modo | omnimode |

¹⁰⁷ This correction of the MS. reading (*pars trimeter*) had already been made by Trisino ; but it was overlooked by Corbinelli and succeeding edd.

¹⁰⁸ The emendation of this passage is due to Boehmer.

¹⁰⁹ See note 98.

¹¹⁰ MSS. *sine rithimos*. Giuliani reads *sine rithimis*. The correction, made originally by Boehmer, was much needed.

¹¹¹ R. omits the concluding words of each of these lines, as being wanting in the MSS.

¹¹² Giuliani arbitrarily reads *intonavit*.

¹¹³ See note 98. In this and the following passage Giuliani has taken unwarrantable liberties with the text.

O.

- II. xiii. 68. innovari
 69. dum tamen
 71. trimetrum
 81. desinentium
 83. videtur quae . . . huic
 appendere capitulo,
 88. reperiri
 92. nascentis militiae dux,¹¹⁵
 95. visi sumus
- II. xiv. *title.* De numero carminum
 et syllabarum in stantia.
- II. xiv. 1. Ex quo quae sunt
 6. videre oportet aliquid,
 et aliquid dividere, quod
 postea secundum partes
 8. Nostra ergo
 11. quaedam non : cum ea
 quae
 16. quandoque contentive
 canere contingit. Quae
 circa sinistrum sunt ver-
 ba . . . ad extremum.¹¹⁸

R.

- II. xiii. § 6. innovare
 dumtaxat
 trimetri
 § 7. desinentiarum¹¹⁴
 § 8. videtur ut, quae . . . huic
 appendamus capitulo,
 potiri
 nascentis militie dies,
 nisi sumus
- Omitted.
- II. xiv. § 1. Ex quo duo quae sunt¹¹⁶
 videre oportet aliquid ;
 deinde secundum par-
 tes¹¹⁷
 § 2. Nostra igitur
 quaedam non. Nam cum
 ea quae
 quandoque contemptive
 canere contingit, quae
 circa sinistra sunt verba
 . . . ad extremum . . .

¹¹⁴ This correction is due to Giuliani.

¹¹⁵ Here O. unadvisedly adopts Giuliani's substitution of *dux* for *dies*.

¹¹⁶ R. interpolates *duo* as being wanted to complete the sense.

¹¹⁷ The interpolations in the text of previous edd. were due to Corbinelli.

¹¹⁸ The full stop at the end in O. is a mistake due to the printers, the sentence being broken off in the middle.

APPENDIX.

The foregoing collation of Professor Pio Rajna's critical text (R) of the *De Vulgari Eloquentia* with that of the Oxford Dante (O) was already in type when the *edizione minore* of Professor Rajna's text made its appearance. In this new edition (which was to some extent the outcome of a suggestion made by the present writer in a review of the larger work in *Romania* *) Professor Rajna has introduced several important modifications of the text. A collation of the emended passages (some two dozen in number), as they stand in the *edizione minore* (R²), with the text of the previous edition (R¹) is given below, and will enable the student to see at a glance wherein the emendations consist. Some of these are comparatively insignificant, but not a few of them, on the other hand, are of real importance, and undoubtedly tend to the improvement of the text.

PAGET TOYNBEE.

R¹.

- I. iv. § 3. ab eo qui statim ipsum
plasmaverat.
§ 5. Oritur et hic ista questio,
cum dicimus superius
per viam responsionis
hominem primum fuisse
locutum, si responsio
fuit ad Deum: nam, si
ad Deum

R².

ab eo qui statim plasma-
verat ¹¹⁹
Oritur et hic ista questio,
cum dicimus superius per
viam responsionis homi-
nem primum fuisse locu-
tum: si responsio, fuit
ad Deum? Nam, si ad
Deum ¹²⁰

* *Romania*, No. 101, January, 1897. Professor Rajna says in his preface: 'Mentre del trattato *De Vulgari Eloquentia* vengo preparando l'edizione già annunziata con commento dichiarativo, mi è parso opportuno di ridar fuori il testo critico in un'edizione minore, accessibile a tutti per la tenuità del costo, e di comodo uso. Che l'opportunità ci sia davvero, mi è stato confermato dall'assenso di coloro ai quali mi accadde di comunicare il mio disegno, e dal desiderio che di una edizione siffatta ebbe a manifestare spontaneamente, nel rendere conto della maggiore in un recente fascicolo della *Romania* (xxvi. 125), quel valente cultore degli studi danteschi che è il Paget Toynbee.'

¹¹⁹ (O. I. iv. 25) R. now rejects the interpolated *ipsum*, which is not in T, and is a later insertion in G.

¹²⁰ (O. I. iv. 43) The improvement in the punctuation of this passage is due to Professor Parodi.

R¹.

- I. viii. § 2. Sed, sive avene tunc primitus advenissent, sive ad Europam indigene repedassent,
 § 3. per diversa vulgaria derivatum,
 I. ix. § 6. quem exolescere non videremus.
 I. x. § 4. Tertia, que Latinorum est,
 I. xi. § 5. Casentinenses et Fraticenses.
 I. xii. *title. Quod in eodem loco diversificatur idioma secundum quod variatur tempus.*
 I. xiv. § 4. Veneti quoque nec sese investigati vulgaris honore dignantur; etsi quis eorum, errore confisus, vanitaret in hoc, recor-

R².

- Sed, sive advene tunc primitus advenissent, sive ad Europam indigene repedissent,¹²¹
 per diversa vulgaria derivatum,¹²²
 quem exolescere non videmus.¹²³
 Tertia quoque, que Latinorum est,¹²⁴
 Casentinenses et Praticenses.¹²⁵
 Omitted.¹²⁶
 § 4. Veneti quoque nec sese investigati vulgaris honore dignantur; et si quis eorum, errore confisus, vanitaret in hoc, recorde-

¹²¹ (O. I. viii. 13) R. here abandons the form *avene*, which he previously favoured (see above, note 16), and reverts to the MS. reading *repedissent* for reasons already given in a supplementary note to the larger edition (see above, note 17).

¹²² (O. I. viii. 32) The reading *derivatum* (T), as against *derivatum* (G), is supported by a reference to Uguccione da Pisa, who (s.v. *Ruo*) distinguishes between *derivare* and *dirivare* as follows: '*Derivare* est rivum de fonte ducere; sed *dirivare* est fontem in diversos rivulos ducere. *Dirivatur* ergo grecismus in latinitatem, idest, quasi fons in rivulos ducitur; sed latinitas *derivatur* a grecismo, idest, quasi de fonte ducitur.' In the difference of reading between T and G here, R. sees an additional proof of their independence of each other.

¹²³ (O. I. ix. 72) R., in substituting *videmus* for *videremus* (which is the MS. reading), follows Corbinelli and the old edd.

¹²⁴ (O. I. x. 25) *Tertia quoque, que* had already been proposed by R., as an alternative reading, in a note in the larger edition; his adoption of it now in the text is due to Professor Parodi.

¹²⁵ (O. I. xi. 42) Here R. abandons a reading the adoption of which in his previous edition he acknowledges to have been somewhat hasty (see above, note 30).

¹²⁶ The title here does not correspond to the contents of the chapter; R. has consequently done well to relegate it to the footnotes. O., following Fraticelli, substitutes *De idiomate Siculo et Apulo*, which was primarily due to Trissino.

R¹.

detur si unquam dixit,
Per le plage de Dio, tu
non veras. Inter quos
 omnes . . . Ildebrandi-
 num paduanum. § 5.
 Quare, omnibus . . .
 vulgare illustre.

I. xv. § 6. si Latium illustre vena-
 mur,

I. xvi. § 2 omnia comparentur et
 ponderentur; et illud ali-
 orum omnium mensu-
 ram accipimus: sicut in
 numero

§ 4. in impari numero magis
 redolet quam in pari;

I. xviii. § 1. frutices de ytalica silva?

II. i. § 1. ad calamum frugi operis
 redeuntis,

§ 2. utrum versificantes vul-
 gariter debeant

R².

tur si unquam dixit, *Per*
le plage de Dio, tu non
veras. § 5. Inter quos
 omnes . . . Ildebrandi-
 num paduanum. § 6.
 Quare, omnibus . . . vul-
 gare illustre.¹²⁷

si latium illustre vena-
 mur,¹²⁸

omnia comparentur et
 ponderentur, et quod velut
 aliorum omnium mensu-
 ram accipiamus; sicut in
 numero ¹²⁹

in impari numero redolet
 magis quam in pari;¹³⁰

frutices de ytala silva?¹³¹

ad calamum frugi operis
 redeuntis,¹³²

utrum versificantes omnes
 vulgariter debeant ¹³³

¹²⁷ (O. I. xiv. 35-48) Inasmuch as *Inter quos omnes* does not refer to *Veneti* only, but to all the peoples who have been mentioned in the course of the chapter, R. alters the distribution of his paragraphs accordingly.

¹²⁸ (O. I. xv. 68) R. here reverts to the reading of previous edd., which in his former text he had abandoned after a good deal of hesitation. Adopting a suggestion of Professor Parodi, he explains *latinum* in this case as standing for *latinum vulgare*.

¹²⁹ (O. I. xvi. 10-12) None of the emendations of this difficult passage is altogether satisfactory. R. now restores to the text the *accipiamus* of the MSS., and for *et illud* reads *et quod velut*, which he evolves, with a certain plausibility, from the MS. *et illico*.

¹³⁰ (O. I. xvi. 54) The inversion *magis redolet* for *redolet magis*, in the previous edition, was due to a slip on the part of R. This divergence between O. and R. was overlooked in the collation.

¹³¹ (O. I. xviii. 12) R. reads *ytala* for *ytalica* here, as he had already done in a previous passage (in which the same phrase occurs, I. xv. § 1) in his former edition.

¹³² (O. II. i. 2) The slight improvement involved in reading *redeuntis* for *redeuntis* is due to Professor Parodi.

¹³³ (O. II. i. 14) R. justifies the insertion of *omnes* (which was interpolated by Trissino, first on the margin of his MS. and then in his translation) by a reference to §§ 2, 6, 7 of this chapter and to § 1 of the next.

R¹.

- II. ii. § 2. et si cognito habituante
habituum cognoscitur
in quantum habituum,
cognita dignitate cog-
noscemus et dignum.
§ 4. homo tripliciter spiritua-
tus est, spiritu videlicet
vegetabili, animali et
rationali,
- II. iii. § 7. Ad hoc, in artificiatibus
- II. iv. § 2. nichil aliud est quam fic-
tio rethorica versificata
in musicaque posita.
- II. iv. § 2. Unde nos, doctrine ope-
ram impendentes,
§ 4. debemus discretionem
potiri,
- II. v. § 7. quomodo innectere quis
debeat

R².

- et si cognito habituante
habituum cognoscitur
in quantum huiusmodi,
cognita dignitate cognos-
cemus et dignum.¹³⁴
homo tripliciter spiritua-
tus est, videlicet vegetabili,
animali et rationali,¹³⁵
- Ad hec, in artificiatibus¹³⁶
- nichil aliud est quam fic-
tio rethorica musice com-
posita.¹³⁷
- Unde nos, doctrine operi
operam impendentes,¹³⁸
debemus discretionem po-
tiri,¹³⁹
- quomodo viere quis de-
beat¹⁴⁰

¹³⁴ (O. II. ii. 10-13) The reading *huiusmodi* for the MS. *huius unde* is happier still than the *habituum* adopted in the previous edition (see above, note 61). R. quotes examples of the use of the phrase *in quantum huiusmodi*, from the *Summa* of Aquinas, and from a mediaeval Latin version of Aristotle's *Analytica Posteriora*.

¹³⁵ (O. II. ii. 48) R. now rejects the *spiritu* (interpolated by Fraticelli after a suggestion of Witte) as unnecessary, the adjectives *vegetabili*, *animali*, *rationali* being used here substantively in the neuter, a use which he parallels exactly from Albertus Magnus.

¹³⁶ (O. II. iii. 47) *Ad hec* is preferred by R. to *Ad hoc* as being more consonant with mediaeval usage.

¹³⁷ (O. II. iv. 20) We had already expressed our preference for the reading now adopted by R. (see above, note 66), and are pleased to find that the expression of our opinion was instrumental in bringing about the abandonment of the interpolated *versificata*. R. says: 'ho finito per rinunciare alle aggiunte e per inalzare agli onori del testo un' altra congettura che avevo esposto in nota, la quale ha avuto frattanto l'approvazione del Paget Toynbee, secondo mi dice una sua lettera.'

¹³⁸ (O. II. iv. 26) This reading R. had already proposed as an alternative in his previous edition.

¹³⁹ (O. II. iv. 37) R. now admits himself to have been ill advised in substituting the acc. for the abl., *potiri* (like *uti*, its synonym) being constructed with either case in mediaeval Latin.

¹⁴⁰ (O. II. v. 75) The restoration of *viere* to the text is now happily accomplished (see above, note 81).

R¹.

II. vi. § 6. tot reductis auctoribus
ad memoriam ;

II. vii. *title*. que in metro vulgaria
cadere non possunt.

II. vii. § 4. ut *greggia* et cetera ;

R².

tot reductis autoribus ad
memoriam ;¹⁴¹

que in metro vulgari
cadere non possunt.¹⁴²

ut *greggia* et *cetra* ;¹⁴³

¹⁴¹ (O. II. vi. 75) For the distinction between *auctor* and *autor* see Conv. IV. vi. 14-49 and above, note 81.

¹⁴² R. now accepts the correction (*vulgari* for *vulgaria*) of previous edd., which he rejected in his previous edition.

¹⁴³ (O. II. vii. 34) See above, note 90.